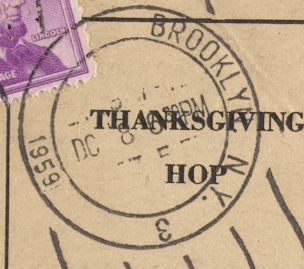


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Where Does The Money Go?

By ALLAN WARSHAWSKY

With an estimated income of \$6,000 for the 1959-60 school year, the G.O. of Thomas Jefferson will find itself running a deficit of approximately \$580.

The \$6,000 income falls into three categories: G.O. dues, \$2,000, G.O. store \$1,500, and the gate receipts of basketball, football, and baseball games, totalling \$2,500.

The G.O. supports our non-paying teams such as bowling, handball, tennis, and track and have requisitioned them \$460.

The largest grants go to the football team (\$1,824.90), the school publications, (\$1,200), G.O. special appropriations, (\$500), basketball (\$454.90), and social activities (\$400).

Activities such as Arista, Pan-American Club, Program Committee, Hebrew Club, and S.C.A.I. are aided by the G.O.

The supplying of flowers for the main lobby at an estimated cost of \$50, the appropriation of a G.O. War Memorial Scholarship of \$100, and the expense of auditing the books (\$75) are supported by the G.O.

As Mr. Beckenstein, G.O. faculty adviser notes, "The hoped for raising of G.O. membership dues to fifty cents per term will definitely help alleviate our constantly growing deficit and enable us to support more activities in a better and bigger way."

Jeff Boasts Best Boosters



60 BOOSTERS '59

By ANITA KAMINSKI

Upon leaving our school and approaching Jeff field it will be most usual to find the Boosters going through their rigorous routines. The effectiveness of this training is seen in the timeliness and perfection of the Jefferson Boosters strutting into their traditional T and J, and by the compliments received from Madison Square Garden officials and numerous opposing schools.

This term, under the excellent supervision of Mr. Hecht and new captains Lila Richman and Sue Sperber, the Boosters have been considered one of the best cheering groups in the city. However, Mr. Hecht and new captains feel that there should be more school spirit and have hopes of achieving this by creating a co-ed Cheering Squad. The Cheering Squad will assemble huge pictures to everything cheered by the Boosters. In this way the Boosters will be the voice of Jefferson and the Cheering Squad will be the picture of Jefferson. To qualify, boys and girls must be in first to fourth terms; they must be recommended by two teachers, and have no dean's record. Tryouts will be held in the near future. All persons interested should watch the second floor bulletin boards reserved for the cheering organizations of the school.

The Boosters can be considered among the few organizations in our school that foster better public relations throughout the city. For this reason the standards for the selection of candidates are very rigid since they are constantly representing our school. Tryouts for Boosters are held at the end of each term.

Term's Assemblies Prove Lively

By MADELINE LITVAK

Both the A.M. and P.M. second assemblies of the term began with the opening exercises led by Mr. Iijima and the concert orchestra.

Introduced to the P.M. assembly by Mr. Cohen as "Jefferson's Finest" were the scholastic wizards on the Principal's Honor Roll.

The astronomical averages were read by the principal and were followed by still more astronomy introduced by Mr. Milton Lesser, chairman of the Science Department.

Joel Levine of class 7N has already made his mark in the field of Astronomy. He is president of the Junior Astronomy Club, participated in the IGY, and holds classes in astronomy at NYU. His project on sunspots and solar spectrum won a contest. He received as a prize a week's cruise on the USS Macon. Several slides taken on this voyage were shown to the assembly accompanied by Joel's interesting narrative. Mr. Lesser extended an invitation to scientifically minded students to develop their interest into a project for a fair or a Westinghouse Scholarship. He offered the cooperation of the Science Department to all those interested.

In the A.M. assembly Mrs. O'Gorman, head of the Speech Department, introduced two improvisations performed by the Radio-Dramatics Workshop.

These clever dramatizations described incidents that could very conceivably involve any Jeffersonian.

Jeff Grads Lead in Ph. D.'s—Prestige, Honor and Degrees

Jeff Runs High Above Average With 18 Ph.D.'s



Mr. Cohen and Mrs. Highberger congratulating (l. to r.) Mr. Epstein, Mrs. Kahn, Mr. Muldorf, Mr. Beckenstein, Mr. Goldman, and Mr. Sam'l Levine.

70th TERMERS

By RIETTE DAUER

The year is 1924, the place, Pennsylvania and Dumont Avenues. Mayor Hylan ends his speech and thousands from the East New York and Brownsville Districts are cheering. At long last they have received their new and greatly needed high school. The name? Why Thomas Jefferson.

How well those cheerful moments are remembered by Mr. Beckenstein, Mr. Epstein, Mr. Goldman, Mrs. Kahn, Mr. Muldorf, Mrs. Highberger and Mr. Sam Levine. These seven teachers entered the school at that time and are still a part of it thirty-five years after.

Our very philosophical G.O. adviser, Mr. Beckenstein, stated with vigor that "Jeff is like Israel. It takes people from all over and makes a state of them." When asked about his confusion upon entering the building, he said, "There was so much confusion. No one knew if I was a teacher or a student. My moustache saved me."

Mr. Epstein, math teacher, adviser, golfer, and funniest person to interview, finally became serious and admitted that coming to Jefferson every day was a job he enjoyed. "Children today," he forcefully stated, "are smarter, and don't put as much time into work as they used to."

Mr. Goldman, who is also a math teacher, summed up his first impres-

sion of the school. "There was a much smaller group. This gave a small-town feeling. The fact that we were younger also made a difference; the young have more enthusiasm." When asked if there had been any change in students, he answered, "Considering such a small and there is such a mixed group now, you have to expect more poor students. On the whole there are more good students now." "Oh," Mrs. Kahn smiled, "when I entered Jefferson, it appeared very huge and shining. The first English students were serious and ambitious to get ahead, since those were the days before television."

Mr. Muldorf is now our Boys' Dean. When he entered Jeff, he was given the job of coaching athletics. We have him to thank for our first swimming team, of which he was the first coach.

Our very busy administrative assistant, Mr. Samuel Levine, agrees with the five other teachers. "Students were more serious at work, but not better!" He feels that the constant pressure being put on work today is due to Russia's outer space travel and Sputnik. Our new emphasis on work and responsibility is not unique to our school but is the new pattern of the country.

There is only one gripe—even in 1924 the ceiling leaked when it rained.

By MARTIN KRIEGER

Jefferson graduates received 18 of the 8,838 doctoral degrees awarded in 1957, according to a survey of the National Research Council.

Since there are about 25,000 secondary schools in the U.S., by statistical analysis it is determined that Jeff graduates have done one hundred times better than could have been expected.

A statement to Mr. Cohen from Mr. Samuel Strauss of the National Research Council said, "Your high school was one of the most productive schools in the U.S."

The Ph.D. or doctorate is the highest educational degree offered in U.S. universities. It usually means five to six years of postgraduate work and an original dissertation or thesis on the student's field of study.

The students who received their doctorates were: Jannie Epstein, 1929; Louis Hetler, 1932; Israel Glasser, 1937; Ethel Idels, 1937; Oscar Levine, 1939; Louis Peselnick, 1941; Morton Berman, 1941; Solomon Levinson, 1941; Milton Kletzk, 1942; Louise Prober, 1944; Howard Hass, 1945; Maurice Korman, 1947; Jack Leitner, 1949; Willard Lee Miranker, 1949; Howard Goldfine, 1949; Herbert Leo Ennis, 1949; Bernard Okun, 1950.

The students' high school careers are interesting. Very few were outstanding scholastically. Their I.Q.'s were slightly better than normal, being about 118. The same is true of their scholastic averages, which were about 85.15. The range is particularly significant. There were many averages in the low and middle seventies. There was only one average in the upper nineties. Seventy per cent of those who attended Jefferson since Honor School was inaugurated were members. Six students were in the top 10% of their class and only one led her graduating group.

The former Jeffersonians took degrees in the Physical Sciences (10), Social and Political Sciences (6), and Literature (2). The students graduated from Jefferson as far back as 1927 and as recently as 1950. They received their degrees at twelve different schools.

CLUB CORNER

Radio-Dramatics Workshop

The Dramatics Club and the Radio Workshop have been fused into one club under the direction of Mrs. Seminara. Students from all terms, with or without experience, are welcome. An interest in dramatics is all that is required for one to become a member. The club's first assembly program was presented in the early part of November. The importance of good speech was the topic. Scenes from various plays will be the subject of their second assembly program, which will take place during the month of January.

Pan-American Club

Formed two terms ago by Mr. Polner and Mr. Pfeffer to improve Latin-American relationship, the Pan-American Club of Thomas Jefferson High School is looking forward to

a year based on the furtherance of these ideals.

One of their aims for this term is to publish an orientation pamphlet for Spanish-speaking students to help them further acquaint themselves with our school. Classes on Latin American dances are held about once a month and many of their weekly meetings (Wednesday, the eighth period) are further enhanced by the presence of distinguished speakers and films.

S.C.A.I.

This term SCAI (Student Council Against Intolerance) is offering a varied program of interesting discussions, debates, and speakers for its members. The faculty adviser of SCAI is Mr. Sol Levine, who has held this position for 7 terms. The president is Martin Efman, vice-presi-

dent is Anita Kaminski, recording secretary is Estelle Rosen, and corresponding secretary is Susan Scher. Concerning membership, Martin said, "We want students who are interested in discussion and not primarily in service credit." SCAI meets in room 220, the 8th period, on Friday.

In recent weeks SCAI has been buzzing with activity. There has been a heated debate on Juvenile Delinquency. We also have had a speaker from Junior Achievement. The result of this was that several members joined Junior Achievement. Dr. Mary Graham of Brooklyn College gave an interesting talk on current world affairs. We have also had a speaker from the Youth Board.

It is planned to have speakers from the Democratic and Republican Parties concerning the impending presidential elections.

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RAISE DUES?

Ever since 1924, when Jefferson opened its doors to students from East New York and surrounding communities, there have been several metamorphic times, years of war and sorrow and times of depression and recession, during which period the school has yielded so as to conform with the changing environment.

Twenty-five years later, in 1959, inflation has become an ever-growing problem. As all of us must be well aware, the dollar's value has decreased to forty-three cents and items which had once been bought quite cheaply are now a drain on the weekly budget. But, as must seem very unusual, the membership fee for enrollment in the G.O. has remained constant—it has been twenty-five cents for the past twenty-five years. In a period of sharply rising costs, the only result of such consistency is the diminishing of vital school activities.

It is important that all our teams be fully supported. Without our aid they cannot possibly exist and our school's athletic functions will be severely handicapped. The Sing we have aimed for, for so long a time, can never be realized unless the proper funds are available for the school's use.

Consequently, the only insurance we can provide that Jefferson's social and athletic activities will not be limited, is an increase in the G.O. dues. Just a slightly greater contribution on the part of each of us will do a great deal more for the entire school.

WATCH THOSE DOORS!

The doors to opportunity are always open. But in our fair school they not only open, but close also, and do it at the same time—in other words, they swing.

And isn't it strange, that you always seem to be the one who gets the "door in the face," and would never think of "ramming it down somebody else's throat." Think! fellow students! Did you ever push the door open with such force that for a moment you thought it might rip from its hinges? Or, upon seeing someone whom you didn't particularly care for walking behind you, would you give it a slight push backwards—perhaps with enough force to kill him?

These doors are required by the Fire Department, so that in the event of fire they will aid in controlling and localizing the flames.

Thus we are appealing to you to show a little more concern for your fellow students and yourself in using the swinging doors. There is a little rule which teachers and others have been drumming into our heads ever since we were old enough to comprehend it, and the observance of which, in this instance, is a must! Namely, "Do unto others as you would have others do unto you."

TO YOUR HEALTH

In our cafeteria, the selling of candy and potato chips has been discontinued. According to Ann Mohr, the managing dietician of our lunchroom, there are two reasons for this development:

Students would purchase potato chips or candy and eat them in their classes. Sometimes they would buy these snacks instead of a sandwich or a hot meal. Miss Mohr pointed out that she was one of the people responsible for the health of the students, and that she only wanted to serve well-balanced meals.

Now, when students are hungry they will be discouraged when they find only nourishing food to eat.

The editors of the *Bell* concur strongly with Mrs. Mohr. We too feel that good food makes for healthy children.

Versatile Mr. Hoffinger, Teacher and Comedian

By EDDIE GORIN

From a sheet metal worker to a teacher overnight? "Incredible," you say; but Mr. Hoffinger, one of Jefferson's newest additions to the Chemistry Department, has done it.

This transformation was no accident since Mr. Hoffinger has been qualified to teach since graduating from Brooklyn College in 1939. Entering the Army soon after graduating, he felt he didn't have the knowledge necessary to become a teacher. Because of this, he went into sheet metal work after discharge. He worked in this field for seven years before he decided the accident rate was too high. He says, "The only difference between me and those fellows missing fingers was just a matter of time." After leaving his job, he once again turned to teaching. Taking his test for a substitute license, he started a new life as a Chemistry teacher.

Mr. Hoffinger has been teaching for five years; three at Bayside H.S., a term at Flushing H.S. and now here at Jeff. He enjoys it because "it's a challenge."

Mr. Hoffinger has been married for seventeen years and has three children: two boys, 15 and 12, and a girl, 6. Born in Manhattan, he moved to Brooklyn as a child and attended James Madison H.S. where his average was about 80. An ironic coincidence is that he never took Chemistry in high school.

Endowed with an extraordinary sense of humor, Mr. Hoffinger is al-

ways telling jokes and funny stories. When asked, "Are you married?" he replied, "No, but my wife is," and when asked if he watches television on weekends he answered, "I can't, since I have to sell knishes on Pitkin Ave. to supplement my salary." He also persists in calling all students "children," despite their protests.



MR. HOFFINGER

Mr. Hoffinger also has hobbies. He enjoys photography and pottery-making whenever he's not teaching or selling knishes. He also enjoys music (except Rock and Roll) and listens whenever he gets a chance.

His wit adds pleasure to the rugged course of Chemistry and it should become a much more popular subject with Mr. Hoffinger at the helm.

Roving Reporter

By MICHAEL REITLEMAN

be raised?



Joan Wasserman, 5SS—Yes, but not to 50¢. It's too big a raise — 25¢-50¢. Why not compromise and make it something like 35¢? If the G.O. needs

more money there is no reason why they shouldn't get it. But 35¢ should be a sufficient raise. They managed to get along well on 25¢ per person for a number of years, and should be able to manage very well at the rate of 35¢ per person.

Richard Napolitano, 5YY — No. Right now there are a few students who don't pay. If the price is raised it would not help to encourage them to pay any faster.



Paula Frankenstein, 7H — Yes. Because our clubs need more money to function properly. The track team was started with the donation of an

alumnus. I'm sure we all want a track team. If we want it to continue it needs our support. Also our band doesn't have any uniforms. At sports' functions our band has to walk out in white shirts. It looks pretty bad when other schools march out in beautiful uniforms.

Mrs. Lowe—I believe that it should be raised, and that it should include the school newspaper in the price.



Inside A Jeffersonian

BEN GROSS

It has been said that our school resembles a miniature United Nations due to the fact that many of our students come from foreign lands. But did you know that we have in our midst a student who can claim not one, but many countries as his homeland?

We do, and his name is Ignas Kolder. He is a senior, and quite an unusual one at that.

Born in war-torn Russia in 1941, Joe, as he prefers to be called, was forced to leave that country with his parents due to unrest and problems of the Jews created by the war.

After traveling through Poland and Germany, he arrived in Brazil, and traveled through that country to Paraguay. He and his family settled in Asuncion, the capital, and lived there until two years ago when he immigrated to the United States.

All of this traveling has given Joe a very wide knowledge of languages. Besides English, he understands Polish and German and speaks Spanish and Yiddish.

An athletic type of person, Joe enjoys outdoor sports. He played with a soccer team in Paraguay and ran in all-city competition as a member of Jefferson's Track Team.

Joe is also very active in other extra-curricular activities at Jefferson. He is President of the Student Patrol and a member of both the G.O. and President's Councils.

You would think that all of these activities, plus the fact that he is relatively new to our country and works after school, would tend to affect Joe's marks.

Quite the contrary, Joe has a very good record and achieved a 90% average last term, quite an accomplishment for any student.

In his spare time (Where does he get it?), Joe likes to read and concentrate on his hobby, which is photography.

Now a senior, Joe plans to enter City College in the fall, where he will major in Electrical Engineering.



From the Principal to You

November 12, 1959

Dear Jeffersonians,

Two reports pertaining to your General Organization came to my desk this morning. The first should make all of us proud, for it indicated that over 97% of our pupils are paid up members of the General Organization. In fact, of our approximately 4500 students, only 121 have not paid their dues to date. This is indeed an excellent record, one of which we can all be proud.

The second report may seem strange in the light of this fine showing, for it indicated that your G.O. Council had given final approval to the proposal to raise G.O. dues to fifty cents.

I think you should know that your G.O. Council took this action because they realized that the only alternative to raising dues was to curtail student activities. That is, unless additional money was found, the G.O. had to abolish such activities as the swimming team, the track team, the cross-country team, the baseball team, etc. It might even have to cut down on the size of some of the teams. Thus, it might have to put fewer pupils into football or basketball uniforms; it might even have to abandon junior varsity sports.

If we want to continue all of these activities and if we want to run a full sports program, additional money must be found. Obviously, since almost all students join the G.O., raising dues becomes the only solution. So Jefferson, at long last, finds that it must do what every other high school did a long time ago; for we are, I believe, the only high school whose G.O. dues are still twenty-five cents. Even junior high schools and elementary schools are now collecting \$.50 for G.O. membership.

I know that your G.O. Council made this decision only after a great deal of thought and discussion, and took it regretfully as the only possible solution to this problem. And I know that our loyal Jeffersonians will understand, and will continue to support their G.O., their fine teams, and their many clubs and activities.

Sincerely,
Irving I. Cohen
Principal

Inside Jefferson

Students in Mr. Polner's first period American History class have been given the chance of a lifetime, rewriting the Constitution.

Although the new Constitution will not be put into practice, the students are taking their task quite seriously and the class will then vote on the best Constitution. A two thirds vote will be necessary.

How would you like to study the insides of a frog while eating your lunch? Well, this tasty dish of frogs eggs and salami is served to members of the College Biology Course, which is under the direction of Mr. Lesser. It seems that since the Biology Class meets twice daily instead of one period, its members were not provided with a lunch period. They must therefore eat their lunches while performing experiments. Happy Eating, Peoples!!

As Mr. Barnett's Earth Science class was discussing the North Star, he asked in which direction we would look to locate it. A voice from the back answered, quite intelligently—"UP!"

One of our art majors, Lynn Leitman 7K, has won the special Saturday morning scholarship to Pratt Institute. The scholarship was won in heavy competition with the rest of the city high schools. The winners then constitute a special class of talented students which meets Saturday mornings.

Ellen Sitomer, a June graduate of our school, has auditioned and received the lead role in Temple Emanuel's production of "Oklahoma." Ellie, who was a member of Boosters, Service Council and Girls' Chorus, now attends Adelphi College.

Judy Crews, a fifth term here at Jefferson, has won the title of "Miss Brownsville," 1959. The contest took place at the Loew's Pitkin on August 19, 1959 where she took first place easily from some forty-five contestants.

Judy, a dashing blond and a member of Boosters, came in third last summer.

Boxing has always meant enjoyment to Leonard Rosen, in our school. However, for the last two years, he has passed that enjoyment on to others. He is a qualified boxing instructor at the Young Men's, Young Women's Hebrew Association where he teaches and helps young boys ranging from 10 to 14 years of age.

the grape VINE

You Should Live So Long

The Jefferson Eleven, in this season's New Utrecht game, gave lie to the myth that schoolboy football is incapable of placement kicking. The field goal team (or "You should live so long" team, as it is known in the locker room) scored three points after touchdown by place kicking, one of them coming with a five-yard penalty on Jeff. Doing this fine booting is little Abe (the Toe) Gershbein. Abe has also, in scrimmages, kicked field goals from anywhere inside the 30-yard line, a fact which is probably at this time unequalled by a member of any other eleven in the city. Should the situation arise in a game, the field goal unit will undoubtedly be called upon. Backing up Abe on the team is Mike Cohen who owns the magic ball holding finger, Larry Bernstein, Norm Zimmelman, Len Balken, John Blois, Harv Oatkin, Walt Jemec, Willie Rosenwald, Lonzie Thompson and Mitch Lieberman.

Offsprings, Siblings, Etc.

Famous families now in Jefferson athletics: Coach Moe Finklestein has on our Jayvee gridders fullback and younger brother Mike, as well as Allan (the Little Ripper) Goldman, son of ass't football coach and baseball mentor Arthur (Rip) Goldman. End Joe Pennisi of the grid-varsity has brother Bob on the Jayvees. Pete Zuyus, also a varsity end, has "little brother" Anthony on the Jayvee.

Meanwhile in the Other Leagues

Brooklyn Division III has the Blue Devils of Tilden on top of rivals John Jay, Erasmus, and Madison. Junior fullback Ron Bley of Tilden, up from Florida, is tearing up the division with his running and is a close second in total points in the P.S.A.L. Flushing has taken the Division II title while Monroe has clinched the Division I lead.

"Label"

Larry (Label) Bernstein, our great ball carrier, is just about a must for All-City P.S.A.L. fullback. After scoring 26 points in the New Utrecht game, Larry brought his scoring total up to 68 points for the P.S.A.L. lead and only 8 points shy of the Jefferson record of 76 points set by another Jeffersonian, 1957 halfback Mike (Whitey) Rothlein. The team scoring total was also lifted to 117 points for the season, 5 points above the old Jeff record of 112 points, set in 1957 with Whitey at half.

Unsung Heroes

Taking all the credit for our gridiron victories are the backs, Bernstein, Febo, Thorne, M. Cohen, Berman, Abramowitz, others. However, to quote Capt. Bernstein, "It's what's up front that counts!" and it's what's up front that is now honored. Ends Pete Zuyus and Arnie Cohen have done great jobs in opening up holes for the backs and have done some pass catching of their own. The first-class blocking of Len Balken, Norm Zimmelman, Walt Jemec, and Irv Shapiro, too, has been a vital factor in our victories. Jeff Katz, playing his first varsity game against New Utrecht, looked real good at defensive center guard.

Honors

The winning ball from the Utrecht game was presented to Rip Goldman at the wild locker room post-game celebration. Rip, declared Coach Finklestein, "... was my coach and is your coach, the finest in the world!" Our congratulations to you, Mr. Goldman.

Jeff Five Defeats Lincoln Cagers In First Pre-Season Scrimmage

By SHERRY TENZER

If you should walk into the gym some afternoon, and find fourteen boys in shorts, all dribbling basketballs and fleeing from a lone dribbler, don't rub your eyes. Basketball tag is only one of the drills coach Sam Beckman uses to make his team more proficient in ball handling.

A scrimmage against Lincoln on Nov. 2 saw the Jeff Hoopsters emerge the victors by a 78-62 score. The regular season, however, does not begin until Nov. 18, when Jefferson meets Bishop Loughlin in an exhibition game. Bushwick, a long standing member in our baseball division, has been a new addition to our League games. Of course, some strong teams, such as Eastern District, Brooklyn Tech, and our old nemesis, Boys High, are back again.

Mr. Beckman has done a marvelous job in shaping the team; teaching them basic fundamentals, as well as correcting their play. The strength and scoring ability of Jim Boatright and John Redwood, along with the height and rebounding potential of Dennis Fessler and Ronald Smith, plus the characteristic, deadly, "Jackson Jump Shot," of brother Robert (Shelly), make us quite confident that this year will be no exception to the established tradition of great Jeff ball clubs.

Our only deficiency may lie in the backcourt. However, a multitude of upcoming ball players, such as Steve Walkoff, Danny Bereck, and John Owens, can help to overcome that. No longer with the team are Mike Miller and Harvey Schneider, who showed great promise in the scoring column. Every one of the starting five are veterans of last year's team. This may be a deciding factor, as far as defense is concerned, since they

have already had experience.

Some may value the opinion of a college ballplayer concerning the ability of a club. If you do, then you'll be glad to know that both Tony Jackson and Leroy Ellis, currently attending St. Johns remarked after they had practiced with our varsity, "You have a good team this year!"

Even our ex-coach, Mac Hodesblatt, commented, after attending a practice session (as everyone knew he would), "They're a fine bunch of ball players." A fine bunch of Jeffersonians are also needed out there to cheer the boys on. How about it, people? Let's see you in the stands when the season begins.

Date	Opponent	Place
Nov. 18	*Bishop Loughlin	Home
Nov. 23	*Tilden	Away
Dec. 1	Whitney	Away
Dec. 4	East New York	Home
Dec. 8	Bushwick	Home
Dec. 11	Automotive	Home
Dec. 16	Eastern Dist.	Away
Dec. 21	Boys'	Home
Jan. 7	Whitney	Home
Jan. 11	East New York	Away
Jan. 14	Bushwick	Away
Jan. 18	Automotive	Away
Jan. 21	Eastern Dist.	Home
Jan. 29	*Tilden	Home
Feb. 3	Boys'	Away
Feb. 10	Bklyn Tech	Home

Orange Bows to Tech, Abes; Bernstein Runs Over Utrecht

By STEVE VINE

October 26 found the Big Orange of Thomas Jefferson atoning for two previous losses by soundly thrashing the Green of New Utrecht High by a 29-16 count. Prior to this game, the Orange had dropped two heart-breakers, a 26-20 decision to Brooklyn Tech and a 30-24 contest to the Railsplitters of Abraham Lincoln High. In the Tech game, before we knew what had hit us, Tech had a fourteen point lead. The Nickelmen didn't give up though, and the half ended with a 14-12 score. The second half kept Tech in the lead and the final score was 26-20, the Engineers on top. Larry Bernstein scored fourteen points and Jesse Febo six.

The Lincoln outing saw a tremendously powerful Jeff offense, a weak defense, and a bad case of "conversions" after touchdowns. The inability to convert, more than anything else, was the prime factor in the defeat. Larry Bernstein, however, added eighteen more points to his scoring total; Jesse Febo accounted for the other touchdown.

The New Utrecht match was a complete reversal of the two former showings. Our defense was solid and we turned in every PAT. After receiving the opening kickoff, the Tee-Jays drove from their own 39-yard line to the New Utrecht 38. On a fourth and one play, Larry Bernstein bulldozed through the middle of the line and galloped 38 yards to a touchdown. Abe Gershbein kicked the point after and split the uprights. Utrecht took over, but the strong Jeff line allowed the Utes no ground and they soon punted. Jeff, sparked by the fine quarterbacking of Mike Cohen drove from their own nine-yard marker to the thirty-one. Again the ball went to "Label" and Number 32 romped for thirty-one yards and another Jeff tally. The conversion, ran by Bernstein, was good and the score stood at 15-0.

The second quarter saw no scoring, but the Utes were deep in Jeff territory when the halftime whistle blew.

Midway through the third period, Larry the Moose scurried from his own forty-three to a half dozen additional points. Abe Gershbein con-

Coach Cantor Happy As Turfers Shape Up For Second Season

By BEN GROSS

Jefferson's infant track team, proud possessors of a trophy after their first season, are again practicing at George Gershwin Field and hoping for an even more fruitful season than the last.

The Cindermen, coached by Mr. Herb Cantor, captured five medals and a trophy last term, despite being handicapped by lack of facilities, equipment, and experience. Generous donations from alumni helped the team get started.

Some of the team's stars have graduated but the team is still strong, quality-wise. There are about 40 boys on the team, 22 of whom are "old-timers" with valuable experience. In addition, there are 15 to 20 promising newcomers. The team also has a very able manager in Fred Arbeitman.

The boys ran in cross country meets, held in October and November, for training. These meets were held at Van Cortlandt Park, which offers a very rugged 2½ mile course over hills and rocky terrain. The team gave a good account of itself and two boys were outstanding. They were Raymond Dowd and Marcial Borges. The other boys ran very well also. These included: Bill Dawkins and Louis Cudyker, the team co-captains, Charles Harding, James Bond, Leroy Lessane, Max Millian, Lonnie Winn, Howie Levy, Sam Tillie, and Milt Pearlman. Many other boys show promise for the future.

The cross country season, ending with the City Championships on November 7, is followed by the indoor season. The boys are presently practicing for these future events.

Coach Cantor says the boys are improving, but he is as yet undecided as to which will run in which events. The team looks very strong and has good chances at being a big winner.



Jeff Defensive Line

nected for his second PAT of the game. Later in the same quarter, New Utrecht found the combination and recorded their first touchdown and conversion of the fray.

The fourth quarter proved to be the most dramatic, as close to the opening of the period Larry (you guessed it) Bernstein took off and ran for one of the most amazing broken field runs witnessed this year in the P.S.A.L., for fifty yards and the final Orange tally of the game. Little Abe once more place kicked the PAT and the score stood at 29-8. New

Utrecht's second touchdown came on a fifty-yard running play. The PAT were converted and the final score was Jefferson 29, New Utrecht 16.

The Jeff defense was completely revamped for this game and the outcome clearly showed it. Not only was the basic defensive formation altered, but the personnel too, underwent change. Playing fine defensive games were Jeff Katz, Joe Abramowitz, Pete Zuyus, Len Balken, Arnie Cohen, Harv Oatkin, Mitch Lieberman and Lenny LaFratta.

Coach Finklestein stuck with his first stringers all the way, as this game meant the difference between a winning and losing record.

Perhaps the most heartening occurrence of the game was the fact that we (Abe Gershbein) went three for three kicking the points after touchdown. Abe is only a junior and looks very promising for next season.

BEAT TILDEN!

November 26 will pit Jefferson against one of the strongest Tilden teams ever, in this year's "Turkey Day Classic." Tilden, P.S.A.L. Division III Champions, is paced in the backfield by Ron Bley, Jeff Greenberg, Steve Bokser, and Bruce Rubin. However, they lack notable linemen. Jefferson, along with its lightning backfield, has such line notables as Len Balken and Walt Jemec. This year's contest promises to be one of the best ever and all are invited to attend.



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Senior Circus

By ALLAN WARSHAWSKY



Standing, left to right, Eveline Shapiro, Treasurer; Lillian Tabsh, Vice-President; Ellen Feinberg, President; Elizabeth Sestokes, Secretary.

Having earned the title of "senior," members of the Jan. '60 graduating class are looking forward to the many activities planned for them by their newly elected officers, Ellen Feinberg, Pres.; Lillian Tabsh, Vice Pres.; Elizabeth Sestokes, Sec. and Eveline Shapiro, Treasurer, working in conjunction with Mrs. Janet Fox, senior class adviser.

Blue and Orange Day, on which seniors come arrayed in Jeff's colors, will be held on Nov. 25, the same day as the G.O. turkey hop.

A bowling party has been planned for the evening of Friday Dec. 11.

On January 15, all cats, dogs, witches, and statues of liberty walking through Jefferson will only be

(we hope) seniors participating in the gaiety of senior day.

The "icing on the cake"—the senior prom is to take place on Thursday, January 28 at the Belmont Plaza. Dress will be formal—and eyes will be bloodshot for days to come.

The days of final reckoning shall come to an end on Feb. 1, with graduation exercises to be held at Jefferson.

Aurora

The Aurora literary staff under the direction of Mr. Glass is putting the finishing touches on the January '60 yearbook, whose theme will be the End of a Decade.

Mrs. Fox's art staff is designing the book.

NEWS BRIEFS

By ALLAN WARSHAWSKY

Students who are presently in English 70, may elect to take their Regents in January. Next term they will take college English taught by Mr. Jacob Drachler, and a course entitled "Shakespeare" taught by Mr. Murray Bromberg. The English department hopes that these courses will prepare Jeffersonians for the difficult work covered in college. In the future, this course will be mandatory for all honor school seniors.

The History Dept. announces that it will again give a course in Political Science. The course was given last term, and proved to be a great success.

The Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy, is an organization which was formed a few years ago by a group of scientists, writers, and other public figures. Its purpose according to Nancy Polin, a leader in the Jefferson Branch, "is to work for a permanent cessation to nuclear bomb testing under inspection and control." At present, "Sane" is distributing a petition which calls for Pres. Eisenhower and Premier Khrushchev to come to an agreement concerning the testing of atomic weapons.

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Tales of Hoffman

By DAVID HOFFMAN

Ed. Note: *The Good Posture* exhibit in our cafeteria, although overlooked by most of us, is an important part of our school. The girls who have been showing off their good posture for so long must not be ignored.

Of all the wonderful exhibits in our fair school, perhaps none has gone more unnoticed than the "Good Posture" exhibit on the Blake Avenue side of the Cafeteria. This must not go on! Can you imagine the trouble that those poor girls in that exhibit went through to get good posture? What about the trouble the photographer went through to get pictures of these girls at just the right moment? It's not easy, you know. After all, good posture requires training, training, and more training. These girls have been standing at least thirteen years of their lives with bad posture. Think of how hard it is to change after all that time.

I imagine that after the school is all locked up and the lights are all out, the girls step down from their showcase to relax.

"Oy, yay! If I stand one more minute with this good posture, I'll collapse."

"You're telling me! My back is so stiff that I can hardly move."

But these steadfast young ladies know their job, and at seven o'clock each morning, they go back into their showcase for another day of good posture.

Van Doren or Not

Lately, our newspapers, magazines, and news programs have been blasting off about the fixing of quiz shows. You can follow the life of Charles Van Doren from birth to investigation. You can read the reactions of a variety of people upon hearing about these dishonest goings-on and you can watch the faces of a variety of ex-quiz contestants upon leaving a variety of investigation rooms.

I, however, am not going to say anything about the subject. I'm not going to mention Charles Van Doren or *Twenty-One* or even money. I'm not going to tell you about my reactions or interview men-in-the-street. No, sir! I don't think that such things merit any space.

Let's look at things this way. Why should I use up valuable newspaper space on a subject that you can read about in any magazine? What good would it do for you or me to rehash what you already know? Of course it's silly. Quiz show investigations are "old hat." This column is devoted to things both new and interesting, so I won't even put a word in about quiz shows or dishonesty or Charles Van Doren. Not a single word!



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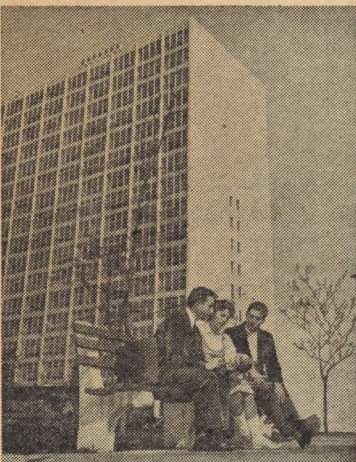
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